



BIOGRAPHY

U.S. ARMY

COLONEL HEATH DUNBAR

Col. Heath Dunbar assumed duties as chief of staff at Joint Enabling Capabilities Command on Naval Station Norfolk, Virginia, in August 2018. JECC provides decisive joint communications, planning and public affairs support to the Joint Force that will meet the emerging requirements of combatant commands and Joint Task Force-capable headquarters.

Dunbar was commissioned from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1993 as an Armor Branch officer with a Bachelor of Science in International Relations. After graduation, he served in Germany with 1st Battalion, 37th Armor Regiment and then 1st Battalion, 63rd Armor Regiment. During the tour, he deployed in support of U.N. peacekeeping operations in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Upon promotion to captain, he served in 2nd Battalion, 70th Armor Regiment at Fort Riley, Kansas, commanding both A Company and Headquarters Company. While leading the latter, Dunbar deployed to Kuwait as part of counter-Iraq deterrence operations in support of Operation Desert Spring. As a major, he served as executive officer for 2nd Battalion, 58th Infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia. He then stood up the Army's Future Forces Integration Directorate at Fort Bliss, Texas, for two years before assuming duties as executive officer for 2nd Squadron, 13th Cavalry during a deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

As a lieutenant colonel, Dunbar commanded 1st Battalion, 360th Infantry at Fort Bliss for two years. He was then sent to the Joint Staff as deputy U.S. national military representative to Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe in Mons, Belgium, from 2012 to 2015. Prior to arriving at JECC, he was assigned to U.S. Army Central headquarters at Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina, where he served as chief of Future Operations and Commander's Initiatives Group chief. The stint also included a Kuwait deployment in support of Operation Inherent Resolve.

The colonel's awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal and Army Commendation Medal.

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